

SECTION HQ - WILLIAM G. NASH HOOSIER

QUALITY LAMB CONTEST

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Weighing - 1 pm Thursday, August 12

Judging - 3 pm Thursday, August 12

PURPOSE

1. To learn how to recognize in live lambs those qualities which produce a superior carcass.
2. To utilize carcass information as a means of identifying and selecting outstanding breeding animals.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. Each exhibitor will be limited to four entries per immediate family, firm or corporation.
2. Competition is limited to ewes and wethers. The competing lambs must have lambs teeth and when slaughtered must break the lamb break joint. Carcasses not meeting the minimum requirements will not out rank other carcasses.
 - A. Carcasses must weigh at least 45 lbs. hot weight.
 - B. Carcasses must have at least .1 of an inch adjusted backfat thickness.
3. All lambs must be entered on regular Indiana State Fair entry forms at the time of making other entries and entry fee must be paid.
4. Junior exhibitors are eligible to compete in this contest provided the lambs are properly entered on Indiana State Fair open entry forms prior to the deadline for making open class entries.
5. All lambs must be owned by the exhibitor prior to the closing date for entries.
6. Information on identification, breed, date of birth, sire, breeder and owner will be required on all lambs at weigh-in for exhibition. Cards for this information may be obtained from the sheep barn office. Completed cards for each lamb must be presented at weigh-in.
7. Subject to limitation of transportation, all lambs in each on-foot class must be slaughtered and placed in carcass competition. Complete carcass data on these lambs will be summarized and made available to exhibitors.
8. Exhibitors will be required to sign a document that states that only approved medications and products have been used or administered to contest lambs and that these medications and products have been used in accordance with approved and labeled guidelines including withdrawal periods.

9. All carcasses must pass health inspection to qualify for carcass awards.
10. Any lambs and/or carcasses that are suspect of containing illegal products, medications or suspect of containing product or medication residues exceeding approved levels may be tested (blood and tissue samples) at the discretion of the judge. The costs of these tests will be the responsibility of the exhibitor of the suspect lamb and/or carcass.
11. Exhibitors will be paid for on-foot price, less transportation charges. A fee of \$2.00 per head will also be deducted to cover administrative and handling costs. Exhibitors with lambs and/or carcasses that do not pass health inspection will not be paid for those lambs and/or carcasses.
12. Urine and/or blood samples may be taken randomly from any or all contest wethers and ewes at the discretion of the department staff and/or Fair officials.

ON-FOOT CLASSIFICATIONS

CLASS DESCRIPTION

1. Enter all quality lambs under this class.
 Group 1 - \$12-11-10-10-10-8-8-8-8-6-6-6-6-5-5-5-5-5-5-5-5
 Group 2 - \$12-11-10-10-10-8-8-8-8-6-6-6-6-6-5-5-5-5-5-5-5
 Group 3 - \$12-11-10-10-10-8-8-8-8-6-6-6-6-6-6-5-5-5-5-5-5
 Group 4 - \$12-11-10-10-10-8-8-8-8-6-6-6-6-6-6-5-5-5-5-5-5
 Group 5 - \$12-11-10-10-10-8-8-8-8-6-6-6-6-6-6-5-5-5-5-5-5
2. Champion on-foot lamb - plaque and \$25.00
3. Reserve champion on-foot lamb - rosette and \$20.00

CARCASS CLASSIFICATION

CLASS DESCRIPTION

4. Enter all quality carcass lambs in this class.
 Group 1 - \$20-18-16-16-14-14-12-12-10-10
 Group 2 - \$20-18-16-16-14-14-12-12-10-10
 Group 3 - \$20-18-16-16-14-14-12-12-10-10
 Group 4 - \$20-18-16-16-14-14-12-12-10-10
 Group 5 - \$20-18-16-16-14-14-12-12-10-10
5. Champion quality lamb carcass - plaque and \$25.00
6. Reserve champion quality lamb carcass - rosette and \$20.00

SPECIAL AWARDS

MONTADALE SHEEP BREEDER'S ASSN. INC., Mildred E. Moore, Secretary, 2514 Willow Rd NE, Fargo, ND 58102 will award \$500 for the grand champion market lamb, on-foot or carcass lot, providing same is a purebred Montadale lamb. Sire and dam association numbers and a picture of the lamb taken at the time of show must be forwarded to the association office within 60 days of the show. Payment will be made from the association office.

Individuals and/or businesses wishing to sponsor an award should write to the Entry Department, Indiana State Fair, 1202 East 38th Street, Indianapolis, IN 46205. To avoid deletion, awards listed in this book must be confirmed with the Entry Department by January 1, 2005.

SECTION WL - WOOL SHOW

All entries must be made on an official entry form for livestock departments. Each exhibitor must pay entry fee and pay all other fees at time of making entry. Refer to general entry terms and condition for further information.

Regular entries close July 1

Late entries - July 2-31, a \$50 fee must accompany entries postmarked July 2-31.

Hand delivered entries only will be accepted from August 1 until check-in time and must be accompanied by a \$50 fee plus a \$50 fee per exhibit.

1. Wool must be in place by 9 pm Sunday, August 15. Wool accepted starting Sunday, August 8.
2. All wool exhibited must be shown within the year shorn.
3. All fleeces entered in the purebred exhibit must have been removed from the purebred sheep recorded in their respective registry associations.
4. All fleeces in breed classification are limited to 2 entries in each class. Exhibitors in market classification are limited to 2 entries in each class. Each exhibitor shall not be eligible to win more than 2 places in any 1 purebred class.
5. All fleeces for exhibit must be tied with paper twine. The management reserves the right to reject all fleeces tied with sisal twine or other heavy or rough twine as well as fleeces containing an excessive amount of foreign material, such as tags, burrs, chaff, seeds and straw.
6. The management will receive fleeces sent prepaid by mail or express, marked attention "WOOL EXHIBIT", SHEEP DEPARTMENT and see that such fleeces are properly displayed. At the conclusion of the Fair, the management will arrange for disposition of all fleeces through one channel who in turn will account to each exhibitor for his wool unless other disposition has been arranged for when wool is placed on exhibit. An exhibitor is entitled to reclaim any or all of his fleeces at the conclusion of the Fair, but the management will not be responsible for returning or forwarding fleeces by mail or express at the conclusion of the Fair. Any other arrangements for the disposing of the fleeces, other than those outlined above, will be the direct responsibility of the exhibitor.
7. The grand champion fleece shall be chosen from first place class winners from the purebred or market classifications. Reserve champion fleece shall be chosen from the first place as well as the fleece placing second in the class to the grand champion fleece.

8. The market requirements for each grade will be strictly adhered to in judging. Exhibitors should attempt to enter fleeces in the proper grade. In case of improper entry, the superintendent of the sheep department will enter fleeces in the proper grade before they are judged.
9. Natural colored wool WILL NOT be accepted in the "white wool" classes. "White wool" WILL NOT be accepted in the natural colored wool classes.

MARKET CLASSIFICATIONS

CLASS DESCRIPTION

1. Fine (spinning count 64-s to 70-s) - \$11-8-7-6-5-5
2. 1/2 Blood staple (spinning count 60-s to 62-s) - \$11-8-7-6
3. 3/8 Blood staple (spinning count 56-s to 58-s)-
\$11-8-7-6-5-5-5-4-3-3-3-3-3-3
4. 1/4 Blood staple (spinning count 50-s to 54-s) -
\$11-8-7-6-5-5-5-4-3-3-3-3-3-3
5. Low 1/4 blood staple (spinning count 46-s to 48-s) -
\$11-8-7-6-5-4-4
6. Common Braid (spinning count 36-s to 44-s) -
\$11-8-7-6-5-5

BREED CLASSIFICATIONS (PUREBRED WOOL)

CLASS DESCRIPTION

7. Rambouillet ram - \$9-8-7-6-5
8. Rambouillet ewe - \$9-8-7-6-5
9. Shropshire ram - \$9-8-7-6-5-4
10. Shropshire ewe - \$9-8-7-6-5-4
11. Hampshire ram - \$9-8-7-6-4
12. Hampshire ewe - \$9-8-7-6-4
13. Southdown ram - \$9-8-7-6-4
14. Southdown ewe - \$9-8-7-6-4
15. Oxford ram - \$9-8-7-6-4
16. Oxford ewe - \$9-8-7-6-4
17. Dorset ram - \$9-8-7-6-4
18. Dorset ewe - \$9-8-7-6-4
19. Corriedale ram - \$9-8-7-6-5-4
20. Corriedale ewe - \$9-8-7-6-5-4
21. Suffolk ram - \$9-8-7-6-5-4
22. Suffolk ewe - \$9-8-7-6-5-4
23. Cheviot ram - \$9-8-7-6-5-4
24. Cheviot ewe - \$9-8-7-6-5-4
25. Columbia ram - \$9-8-7-6-5-4
26. Columbia ewe - \$9-8-7-6-5-4
27. Montadale ram - \$9-8-7-6-5-4
28. Montadale ewe - \$9-8-7-6-5-4
29. North Country Cheviot ram - \$9-8-7-5-4

- 30. North Country Cheviot ewe - \$9-8-7-5-4
- 31. Shetland Ram - \$9-8-7-5-4
- 32. Shetland Ewe - \$9-8-7-5-4
- 33. Grand champion fleece - \$25 and plaque
- 34. Reserve grand champion fleece - \$20 and rosette

SPECIAL AWARD

THE MID-STATE WOOL GROWERS will pay direct from their office \$15 to the exhibitor of the grand champion fleece.

NATURAL COLORED WOOL SHOW

PURPOSE - The purpose of the Natural Colored wool show is to encourage the production of better fleeces of colored wool for home spinners and weavers and to promote proper handling and preparation for market.

ELIGIBILITY OF FLEECES

- 1. Only complete fleeces in the grease are eligible for competition.
- 2. Fleeces shall not be more than 12 months' growth. The definition of "12 month" shall be the definition commonly accepted by the wool trade. Thus if a fleece is actually slightly more than 12 months' growth due to unavoidable delay in obtaining shearers or weather, it shall be termed "12 months' wool".
- 3. Each exhibitor will be limited to 2 fleece entries in one class.
- 4. Natural colored wool will not be accepted in the "white wool" classes. "White wool" will not be accepted in the natural colored classes.

CLASS DESCRIPTION

- 35. All colors, fleece grades 60's to 80's - \$10-8-6-5-4-3
- 36. All colors, fleece grades 48's to 58's - \$10-8-6-5-4-3
- 37. All colors, fleece grades 36's to 48's - \$10-8-6-5-4-3
- 38. Champion colored fleece - \$25 and plaque
- 39. Reserve champion colored fleece - \$20 and rosette

SPECIAL AWARD

HARSHBARGER SHEARING AND SHARPENING will pay, direct from their office, \$10 to the exhibitor of the champion colored fleece and \$5 to the exhibitor of the reserve champion colored fleece.

SECTION SS - INDIANA STATE FAIR

SHEARING CONTEST

All entries must be made on official entry form for sheep department. Refer to general entry terms and conditions for further information.

Regular entries close July 1

Late entries - July 2-31, a \$50 late entry fee must accompany entries postmarked July 2-31.

Hand delivered entries only will be accepted from August 1 until check-in time and must be accompanied by a \$50 fee plus a \$50 fee per animal. Contestants may enter only one preliminary contest. All sheep in shearing contest must have health certificates.

CLASS DESCRIPTION

1. **AMATEUR** - any shearer is eligible that has not passed their 21st birthday on January 1, 2004. \$65-55-45-35 - plus 1st place plaque.
2. **OPEN PROFESSIONAL** - This contest is open to any professional shearer that wishes to participate. \$400-275-250-225-200-185-175-165-150-140-130-125-120-110-100-90-85-80-75-60 - plus 1st place plaque.
3. Best Pen - plaque - \$100-50-25 (Do not enter in this class).
4. Fastest Time - plaque - \$100-50 (Do not enter in this class).
5. The 4 highest placing Indiana shearers in open professional who did not make the top 20 will receive \$55-45-35-30 (Do not enter in this class).
6. The highest Indiana shearer never having won in Indiana will be the Indiana Champion & will receive a plaque (Do not enter in this class).
7. Oldest Participating Shearer - plaque (Do not enter in this class).

NO CONTESTANT IS ELIGIBLE FOR MORE THAN 1 PLAQUE.

PLAN OF CONTEST

Time and place: The entire contest will be held (preliminaries and finals) on Sunday, August 22. Contestants report to Matt Kennedy, Superintendent at 9 am (E.S.T.) in the State Fair sheep barn. Contestants must be checked in and ready to shear in the preliminary contest at 10 am. In the Open Professional contest, 50% of entries (not to exceed 12 contestants) will shear in the finals. If there are 10 contestants in this category there will be a semifinal round with four of these coming back for the final contest. All contestants will be timed with a nonstop clock. Time will start at 0 with a tenth of a point deducted for every 5 seconds. Winners will be selected on the basis of the contestant's scores made in the finals. In the event of a tie the following criteria, in order, will be used to determine the winner:

1. Fewest number of cuts on sheep
2. Least amount of total time, in seconds.
3. If the tie is not broken by the previous 2 criteria, the contestants will draw a number; with the highest number winning. Any shearer may use hand piece of his choice. Machines will be furnished.

SCORE CARD

- Time - 20
- Board Score - 40
- Absence of cuts on sheep - 15
- Appearance of sheep - 25

SPECIAL AWARDS - SHEEP SHEARING

THE INDIANA STATE FAIR will award plaques to the winners as indicated.

HARSHBERGER SHEARING AND SHARPENING

GORDON AND GARY CHITTICK, WOOL, GINSENG & FUR CO.

MID-STATES WOOL GROWERS will donate a lamb pelt to an Indiana Junior, competing in the Amateur shearing contest.

INDIANA SHEEP ASSOCIATION will provide a lamb lunch to all shearing contestants.

LLOYD'S FENCE SERVICE has donated \$100 in prize money.

DIRECTORS AWARD

This award will be made to the exhibitor or herdsman who in the opinion of the department director maintains the most attractive exhibit and displays the highest degree of courtesy and is most cooperative with the staff and the general public during his or her stay at the Indiana State Fair.

First place - plaque

Second place - rosette

“PRIDE OF THE BARN AWARD”

Special awards will be offered to exhibitors in each breed at the Indiana State Fair. Exception - exhibition breeds

They will be based on the following criteria:

- Neatness and attractiveness of exhibit - 40 points
- Informative value of display - 20 points
- Cleanliness of area - 20 points
- Courtesy to others - 10 points
- Cooperation - 10 points

Winners will be chosen by the department director and 2 others. Each breed winner will receive a banner which will be presented at the annual ISA meeting. This award is cosponsored by ISA and the INDIANA STATE FAIR.

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